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Sir:

As authorized by the inventor(s), transmitted herewith for filing  
 is a patent application applied for on behalf of the inventor(s)  
 according to the provisions of 37 CFR 1.41(c).

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For: PRINT PROCESSING METHOD, PRINTING ORDER RECEIVING MACHINE  
 AND PRINT PROCESSING DEVICE

Enclosed are:

- A specification consisting of 85 pages
- 24 sheet(s) of Formal drawings
- Certified copy of Priority Document(s)
- Executed Declaration in accordance with 37 CFR 1.64 will follow
- Applicant claims small entity status in accordance with 37 CFR 1.27
- Preliminary Amendment

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Application Data Sheet in accordance with 37 CFR 1.76

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